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Subject "Preparatory Office for a Shanghai Municipality Unemployed Self Salvation Common People's Simple Bazaar" - new organization to raise funds by staging performances.

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A new organization entitled "Preparatory Office for a Shanghai Municipality Unemployed Self Salvation Common People's Simple Bazaar" (上海市失業自救平民簡易市場籌備處), also known as the "Preparatory Office for a Shanghai Municipality Unemployed Self Salvation Theatrical Performance" (上海市失業自救劇團), has come into existence at Lane 485, 1 North Shanse Road. The following are responsible for the organization :-

Doo Tsung-sung (杜椿南), Principal of the Poo Ts (普之) Primary School, Lane 781, 44/46 Tongshan Road, and a committee member of the Eastern District Rent Reduction Movement Committee, Lane 302, 55 Ward Road. Although he owns the school, he claims to be out of employment on the ground that the school is not a success financially.

Tang Chien (唐泉), unemployed, c/o Lee Hwa (李華) Barber Shop, Foochow Road, near Thibet Road. Claims to be a member of the 6th District Kuomintang, Chapei.

Fang Mur-dz (房茂如), unemployed, c/o Tang Chien. Formerly an errand boy of the Barber Shop Owners' Association. Claims to be a member of the 6th District Kuomintang, Chapei.

Soong Yao-ching (宋堯卿), unemployed, living at 203 Rue Capitaine Rabier. Claims to be a member of the 2nd District Kuomintang, French Concession.

Chang Kien-kung (張建功), unemployed, c/o Soong Yao-ching. Formerly a soldier.

Loh Yoong-ts (陸庸之), unemployed school teacher, living at 33 Hwa Shing Fang (華英坊), Hwa Shing Road, Chapei.

Wong Ping-shun (王秉成), unemployed school teacher, living at 48 Shun Tseng Road (順德坊), Chapei.

According to the promoters, the object of this organization is to raise funds for the establishment of a bazaar in Chapei for the relief of the unemployed in Shanghai.

Recently the Preparatory Office issued letters

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to local public bodies, members of local benevolent circles and notables, requesting them to push the sale of admission tickets to the Keng Sing (更新) Theatre, Newchwang Road, for the day performance on may 21. A total of 2,000 tickets at \$1 and \$2 have been distributed.

Members of the Preparatory Office have reached an agreement with the Theatre management, whereby the latter will let them the theatre and stage a performance on may 21 for the sum of \$213.00. Bargain money in the sum of \$110.00 has been paid over to the theatre.

Doo Tsung-sung (杜椿翁), one of the organizers, claims that the proceeds minus the expenses for the day, will be used in establishing the proposed bazaar for the benefit of the unemployed as claimed. He also declares that a full report regarding the formation of the Preparatory Office and the arrangements for the theatrical performance was made in writing to the local Kuomintang and the Shanghai City Government at 11 a.m. May 15 for reference.

Each of the seven organizers has paid to the Preparatory Office \$50.00 as expenses towards necessary arrangements.

This Preparatory Office has no members among the local unemployed other than the seven organizers.

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China Times, Eastern Times, Sing Sing News Agency, Dah Sung News Agency and Dah Tai News Agency.

The 1st clique is led by Yang Dah-chun (杭石君), a reporter of the Sin Wan Pao, Yen Hsueh-sun (嚴謬聲), an editor of the Sin Wan Pao and manager of the Sing Sing News Agency, Zien Tsung-zah (錢倉碩), chief editor of the Sin Pao and Wu Chung-ih (吳中一), editor of Sin Pao.

This clique has about fifty followers who belong to the Sin Wan Pao, Sin Pao, Central News Agency and the Sing Sing News Agency.

Hitherto the Shanghai Chinese Journalists' Association has been controlled by an executive committee of 21 members who are to be elected as follows :-

4 from amongst reporters and editors of the Sin Wan Pao.

4 -do- Shun Pao.

2 -do- China Times.

2 -do- Eastern Times.

2 -do- Min Pao.

2 -do- Shanghai Morning

Post (now defunct)

5 -do- local news agencies.

The cessation of publication of the Shanghai Morning Post in January, 1936, has left vacant 2 seats on the committee, occupants for which will be elected during this general meeting. According to the 1st clique, these two seats will be occupied by their followers, one to be allotted to <sup>the</sup> Shun Pao and the other to the Eastern Times. The 2nd clique strongly opposes this arrangement and insists that one of the two vacancies should be filled by allotting one

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sent to the Sin Wan Tao.

The increase in the number of seats on the Committee of the Association is rather important to the influence of either of the two cliques, as it will enable one clique to dominate the activities of the Association, especially during the coming election of representatives of local Chinese journalists for the National Convention of China, which is to be convened by the National Government in November, 1936. Negotiations have been conducted between the two cliques with a view to finding a satisfactory settlement of the dispute, but have been of no avail.

In order to nullify any attempt<sup>by</sup> members of the 1st clique to make use of the general meeting on May 24 to carry out their plan in electing the new committee according to their arrangement, the majority of the members of the 2nd clique absented themselves from the meeting with the result that the meeting was postponed. This matter is at present left in the hands of the local Tangpu for a settlement.

It is reported that another cause of dissension between these two cliques is the alleged receipt by the 1st clique of a monthly allowance of \$400 from the C.E.C. of the Kuomintang through the Chinese Culture Building Society (中國文化建設協會), 500 Rue Lafayette, this allowance being compensation for their attention in keeping local press within the policy of the National Government.

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